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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
P. MAKISHIMA et al  
Serial No.: 945,459  
Filed: October 20, 1997  
For: NOVEL PROTEIN...THE SAME

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January 19, 2000

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Asst. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Further to the above-identified application, Applicant(s) respectfully request that the period for response to the outstanding Office Action be extended for three months until January 21, 2000.

A check for the appropriate fee is enclosed herewith. Should any further extensions of time or fees be necessary in order to maintain this application in pending condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit account # 02-2275.

Respectfully submitted,  
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